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**SALEM MAN GUILTY OF CHILD RAPE,
INDUCING A MINOR INTO PROSTITUTION
SENTENCED TO 30-40 YEARS IN STATE PRISON**

Salem Superior Court Judge David Lowy today sentenced a Salem man who raped two teenage girls, and induced one of them into performing acts of prostitution, to 30-40 years in state prison.

In all, Usauf Glover, 24, was found guilty following a jury trial in late November of two counts of child rape, two counts of inducing a minor into prostitution, two counts of deriving support from a minor in prostitution, and two counts of child enticement. The judge had continued sentencing until today at the request of the defense.

At trial, Essex Assistant District Attorney Jean M. Curran proved that from November of 2004 through January of 2005, Glover lured two young teenage girls into performing acts of prostitution in Boston. He also raped one of them. Glover raped another young teenage girl in 2001, and unsuccessfully attempted to convince her to become a prostitute.

The jury deliberated for about five hours following the week-long trial before returning its verdict.

Prosecutor Curran credited the excellent investigative work of Lynn Police Detective Joseph Chadbourne, Salem Police Detective Thomas Brennan, and lauded Victim/Witness Advocate Kathleen Draper for assisting the victims through the court process and trial.

Glover was represented by Attorney William O'Hare.